

The Devil Lounge

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Welcome to the Devil Lounge. We invite our guests the opportunity to relax by the roaring fire and sample the finest wines and spirits available in Tasmania. Vintners and distillers have applied years of experience combined with the pureness and rawness of ingredients available on our magnificent island to create unique products highly respected on the world stage.

Tasmania's first experiment with grapevines resulted in a wine that was shown at a Paris exhibition in 1848. However, after this early start, the island's wine production all but disappeared until the 1950s.

The early migrants from Europe recognised the similarities in Tasmania of the soils and climate with the great grape growing regions of their homelands and began to challenge and disprove the theory that Tasmania was too far south for grapes to ripen.

The Tasmanian landscape is dominated by dolerite-capped mountains that shelter the state's wine regions from high winds and rainfall. On the lower slopes, the vineyard soils are formed from ancient sandstones and mudstones as well as more recent river sediments and igneous rocks of volcanic origin.

Tasmania has a moderate maritime climate, cooled by prevailing westerly winds off the Southern Ocean, providing conditions free of extremes in temperature. Mild spring and summer temperatures, with warm autumn days and cool nights, allow the grapes to ripen slowly on the vine, resulting in maximum varietal flavour development. This is achieved without losing that essential natural acidity that gives wine both freshness and balance.

The Tasmanian vintage usually begins from mid-March, at the peak of the dry autumn when ripening occurs, to late May before the risk of frost and rain.

Vintage variations are greater in Tasmania than any other Australian region. This vintage variation is reflected in each unique wine and makes for an insightful tasting of multiple vintages from the same producer.

History of Tasmanian Spirits



"I would prefer barley be fed to pigs than it be used to turn men into swine."

**Lady Jane Franklin
1838**

That simple phrase, spoken by Lady Jane Franklin in 1838, changed the course of Tasmanian Whisky. It was enough to convince her husband, Governor John Franklin, to outlaw the distilling of spirits in Tasmania.

Before this, Tasmanian Whisky was a thriving enterprise. Sixteen legal distilleries dotted the island, along with plenty of illegal ones. But after the lady's plea, the distilleries were forced to shut up shop. And so, for the next 150-or-so years, Tasmania was without any Whisky makers - besides the odd moonshiner.

Luckily in 1990 somebody finally realised what the world was missing out on. Bill Lark was fishing in the Highlands when he noticed something; with its clean water and superb growing conditions, Tasmania was just about perfect for making Whisky. After making an application to open a distillery, he discovered Lady Franklin's law was still in place, making the manufacturing of Whisky illegal. Instead of giving up, Bill decided to fight the law. He got in contact with his local representative, Duncan Kerr, to see what could be done about overturning the law. The two men got to chatting and Kerr took the matter to Barry Jones, the Federal customs minister. Pretty soon the law was overturned, allowing Bill and his wife, Lyn, to found Tasmania's first legal distillery in over 150 years.

Over the next two decades, other Tasmanians started distilling Whisky, each with their own passion, hard work, unique methods and ingredients. Today, Tasmania is home to nine Whisky distilleries, with more on the way. Some are small and bespoke, while others are international stars that export to the world and regularly clean up at international award shows. Each of them uses the state's pure ingredients to make something unique and special. And unfortunately for Lady Jane Franklin, it looks like these Tasmanian Whiskies are here to stay.

We are fortunate enough to stock some of the finest Whiskies Tasmania has to offer. We are now seeing some amazing boutique distilleries pop up all over the state producing world class Gins, Whiskies, Vodkas and Liqueurs.

By The Glass

Sparkling

Jansz Premium Cuvee, Tasmania \$14
Honeysuckle and citrus scents with slight aromas of nougat, roasted nuts and a sniff of strawberry. Creamy flavours with delicate fruits and a lingering finish of citrus and nougat

Devil's Corner NV, Tasmania \$11
Well balanced palate dominated by fresh crunchy apple, a touch of citrus and a hint of yeasty complexity. It is lively and fresh in the mouth with a dry finish

White

Eddystone Point Riesling, Tasmania \$12
An abundance of lemon and lime notes with a crisp mineral acidity

Ninth Island Sauvignon Blanc, Tasmania \$11
Floral and herbaceous aromas with gooseberry and passionfruit flavours and a crisp balanced acid finish

Serafino Reserve Chardonnay, South Australia \$14
White flesh stone fruit and citrus flavours balanced by a long mineral palate

Red


Clemens Hill Pinot Noir, Tasmania \$16
Deep, rounded wine with an earthy spicy palate. Winner of a Silver Medal at the Tasmanian Wine Show.

Holm Oak Pinot Noir, Tasmania \$17
Cherry and spice characteristics. Silky and rich.

Clarence House Estate Merlot, Tasmania \$15
Earthy blackcurrant, plum, date and spice flavours, smooth tannins.

Pages Creek Estate Cabernet Sauvignon, Tasmania \$16
Rich blackcurrant fruit on the nose. A medium-bodied wine with fine tannins and fruit intensity.

Best's Great Western Bin 1 Shiraz, Victoria \$16
Black pepper and warm spices, great oak tannin structure on the palate.



By The Bottle

Sparkling

Jansz Brut NV, Tasmania	\$72
Devil's Corner NV, Tasmania	\$55

White

Eddystone Point Riesling, Tasmania	\$60
Ninth Island Sauvignon Blanc, Tasmania	\$55
Serafino Reserve Chardonnay, South Australia	\$62

Red

Clemens Hill Pinot Noir, Tasmania	\$75
Holm Oak Pinot Noir, Tasmania	\$77
Clarence House Estate Merlot, Tasmania	\$68
Pages Creek Estate Cabernet Sauvignon, Tasmania	\$70
Best's Great Western Bin 1 Shiraz, Victoria	\$66

Cocktails

Tasmanian Slipper

lemon juice, hellfire limoncello & midori melon liqueur

-A play on the classic but highlighting Tasmanian made Limoncello-

\$21

Chocolate & Almonds

amaretto, crème de cacao, orange bitters & lemon juice

-A balance of sweet and sour with chocolate, almond and orange-

\$21

Lady Marmalade

house-made citrus marmalade, lemon, tasmanian gin & cointreau

-Iron House's Small Batch Gin highlights Tasmanian pepperberries and lemon myrtle, which balance with orange liqueur, lemon juice and a trio of citrus fruit marmalade made by our chefs-

\$24

Ristretto Martini

espresso, vanilla vodka & galliano ristretto liqueur

-Ristretto derives from the Italian "restricted"; using the same amount of coffee with half the level of water makes a stronger overall coffee. Our cocktail highlights this with vanilla vodka and fresh pressed espresso to make a bolder version of the classic

Espresso Martini-

\$23

Whisky & Peaches

hellyer's original whisky, peach liqueur, lemon juice & orange

-Hellyer's, our closest whisky distiller, showcases a range of great products. This cocktail uses their original recipe with flavours of citrus and stone fruit-

\$25

The Tall Frenchman

tequila, raspberry liqueur, pineapple, lemon, ginger & bitters

-Blanco tequila is mellowed with flavours of raspberry, pineapple and ginger. Served tall-

\$24

Tasmanian Spirits & Liqueurs

Iron House Brewery

Iron House Brewery is a craft micro-brewery & distillery located on the beautiful East Coast of Tasmania, Australia at White Sands Estate, Iron House Point. The first house with an iron roof was situated on this coastal point and is synonymous with farming, fishing, beach holidays and surfing.

Iron House commenced operation in 2007 and in September 2010 moved into its new building as the feature of White Sands Estate's main resort building.

Strange Omen Small Batch Gin

\$12

A subtle and yet complex gin, created using a grape spirit has been grown, harvested and distilled at this East Coast Brewery Vineyard. This Artisan style Gin is made using a combination of nine botanicals including locally sourced Tasmanian Pepperberries and Lemon Myrtle.

Strange Omen Navy Strength Gin

\$14

When sailors made their way around the world under power of the wind and their knowledge of the sea, they loved a drop of gin. So much so, in fact, that sailors below decks would help themselves to a nip, and to cover their heinous crime, they would then water down the ship's gin supply. To tell if a gin has been watered down from "Navy Strength" there is a simple test however. If you pour the gin on gunpowder and it catches alight - it is still good. This gin packs a punch at 59% a.b.v.

Pure Distillery

666 Vodka

\$10

Located in the pristine wilderness of far North Western Tasmania, Cape Grim is scientifically proven to have the world's cleanest air. It is here that our vodka is distilled using the finest Tasmanian ingredients along with Cape Grim Water, the world's purest rainwater. Handcrafted from start to finish, 666 Vodka (pronounced 'Triple 6') has a unique natural character and bold smooth taste.

Shene Estate Distillery

The story of the Shene Estate, the ostentatious country residence of early colonialist Gamaliel Butler, began in 1819. Shene's colourful past has direct links with King George III, Governor Lachlan Macquarie and World Heritage Sites. Alchemist Damian Mackey, master distiller of the Shene Estate Distillery, finally captured the spirit and Poltergeist gin was born. It is dedicated to Gamaliel Butler and his vision for the country estate.

Poltergeist 'A True Spirit'

\$14

A fragrant, crisp blend of flavours and aromas in the London dry gin style. To balance our carefully selected ingredients, it has been filtered to ensure each is able to shine on the palette.

Poltergeist - Unfiltered

\$14

Retains the full spectrum of all the flavours and aromas that are coaxed from their botanicals, and will please gin lovers looking for a powerful, mouth-watering nose and a taste that is big, bold and beautiful. For those who indulge in this more intense incarnation, be warned - it may ghost over ice.

Strait Spirits

Straight Spirits launched their Dry Gin and Vodka in April 2006 and quickly went on to win a Bronze Medal in the International Wine and Spirit Competition in London that year.

Dry Gin

\$12

Super smooth characteristics made with Australian wheat grain and water meticulously selected from thousands of natural springs in Tasmania. The botanicals are derived from a combination of natural berry fruit, herbs and spices, finished with a hint of citrus infusion.

Pepperberry Vodka

\$11

Thriving abundantly in the mountains of the Tasmanian wilderness, the native pepperberry is indigenous to Australia's island state. These berries are handpicked by knowledgeable Bushmen from the Great Western Tiers.

Straight Vodka

\$11

Straight Vodka owes its super-smooth characteristics to the premium quality of Australian wheat grain and natural spring water of Tasmania.

McHenry & Sons Distillery

At 43° south, William McHenry & Sons Distillery is the world's southern-most family owned and operated boutique distillery. Located at Port Arthur on the Tasman Peninsula, this distillery specialises in hand-made, high quality spirits and joins the small band of Tasmanian whisky distilleries gaining a worldwide reputation for high quality premium spirits.

Puer Vodka

\$11

Puer's (pronounced Pure) nose is light and easy - there's a touch of vanilla, but you really have to go looking for it. The vanilla is more prominent on the tongue, and especially in the sides and back of the mouth, along with a slight nutty undertone. It has a beautiful mouth-feel and just a bit of the traditional vodka burn as it goes down.

Navy Strength Gin

\$14

Delicate black pepper, pine cone and dried juniper. Second pass finds coriander seed and light citrus peel. Creamy entry leads into a concentrated yet beautifully poised mid palate. Finishes up with white pepper, ripe juniper and citrus. A strong gin sitting at 57% a.b.v.

Barrel Aged Gin

\$14

A barrel-aged gin that has been matured in ex-Russell's Reserve bourbon casks using a solera system with heavily charred insides. A complex and layered gin with anise, orange, mint, vanilla pods and sweet citrus.

Sloe Gin

\$14

Made using sloe berries they have foraged from the hedge rows around Tasmania and slowly steeped for up to 12 months in their award winning Classic Dry Gin. Sloe Gin is authentically Tasmanian as the Sloe berries were brought into the Island State with the first settlers around 200 years ago.

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Hellfire Bluff Distillery

This distillery overlooks the Hellfire Bluff, a rocky outcrop above Marion Bay in Tasmania. The Bluff gets its name from the unusual colour of its sandstone cliffs. Marion Bay alternates between glass-like stillness and angry white-caps depending on the moods of the fickle island weather. 'Marion du Fresne', a Breton navigator, landed in March 1772 and declared the land "...good and abundant" due to the large number of crayfish, lobsters and oysters. Tasmania's fertile land and clean air made it an obvious place to start a farm and raise a family.

Hellfire London Dry Gin

\$12

Our gins are a product of the pristine local water and the finest botanicals we can source. These high quality spirits reflect the same passion for quality and care that influences everything produced here. Hellfire's London Gin has bold juniper notes balanced with sweet orange and fresh coriander. Complement with tonic and lime for a refreshing drink or use as the base for a classic martini.

Hellfire Potato Vodka

\$12

The Daly's farm provides potatoes for their vodka- one of the last vodka's worldwide still using this old method.

Hellfire Limoncello

\$10

Their take on the Italian after-dinner drink reflects the passion for purity that infuses everything they do at Hellfire. Lemons are sourced locally and soaked for 3 months to produce a smooth and refereshing liqueur without any bitterness. The low alcohol volume (25% a.b.v.) means it can be enjoyed neat over ice allowing the quality of the original ingredients to shine.

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Belgrove Distillery

Belgrove Distillery was the first Rye Distillery in Australia. Located north of Hobart, they operate the only bio-diesel powered still in the world- sourced from used cooking oil. In fact the distillery is all about sustainable, close-looped production; they grow their own rye-corn at their farm which is the base of their products; the spent mash produced is fed to the Belgrove sheep; cooling water is sourced from their dam and the waste water is either recycled or used for irrigation; and the brewing and diluting water is harvested from their roofs with yeast often being reused. In summary, they pride themselves in being green and reducing the carbon footprint.

White Rye

\$16

Extremely fruity and grainy to start. The palate follows with ripe apples, orange zest, creamy texture and a slight pepper spice, finishing with Christmas aromas.

Rye Whisky

\$29

Creamy and buttery with ripe tropical fruits. This whisky opens with grains and malt, slight pepper, milk chocolate and vanilla. Its creamy finish ends with almonds, green walnuts and hints of spice.

Apple Hatchet

\$14

Distilled apple cider that is barrel aged. Offers a nose of baked apples, vanilla, light hay and herbs. Expect over-ripe cider apples, slight acidity and a touch of pepper finishing with dried banana chips. Liken it to a Calvados.

Pommeau

\$10

Distilled apple cider that is diluted and sweetened with fresh apple juice and then mellowed for 12 months in a barrel.

Ginger Hammer

\$14

Distilled ginger beer with scents of fruit, spice and citrus. The flavour revolves around ginger; freshly ground, spicy, peppery and soapy ginger with a citrus ginger finish.

Black Rye Coffee Liqueur

\$11

A combination of Grappa and White Rye forms the base. It has a silky viscosity with strong chocolate and nutty notes stemming from the Grappa with a slight bitterness from the coffee

Hellyers Road Distillery

The story of Hellyers Road begins near a town called Burnie. Winding up and above this town is a road which was once a trail. The trail was once bush - bush that in 1827 was carved out by Henry Hellyer, an explorer and cartographer who, according to local legend, had little more than a bullock gang and the most basic of tools. Today, this road (since renamed) is home to a whisky distillery now named in his honour. Hellyers Road Distillery was founded by a group of dairy farmers that knew their environment was perfect for sourcing ingredients of purity and quality.

Original

\$11

The nose is drawn to hints of citrus, lemon and orange, while the palate is in receipt of a vanilla sweetness transcending a warm, toasty aftertaste conjuring impressions of freshly buttered sourdough.

Pinot Noir Cask

\$12

The nose is immediately drawn to crisp summer citrus, lemon and orange that obediently withdraws on the palate to manifest a sweet, gentle layer of pepper and spice - a persuasion of the red wine camero. Burnt blackberry sauce lingers in the aftertaste foreclosing a treasured confusion of the senses.

Slightly Peated

\$13

A pinch of the peated spirit is subtly released in a lazy whiff of smokiness. Zesty shaving of orange and lemon peel combined with fresh ground pepper manifest a ginger-like persuasion departing to a smooth aftertaste.

Peated

\$14

A whiff of burnt fern smokiness greets the nose with typical hints of lemon and orange. The palate is further complimented by a citrus sweetness with overtones of malt. A lingering aftertaste conjures fresh forest regeneration.

Dismal Swamp (Limited Edition)

\$30

The fourth release in the Henrys Legacy range, a beautiful Peated single malt that is bottled at cask strength of 6.4% a.b.v. Smokey plumes, damp forest ferns and fungi, with shavings of lemon and orange and a silky smooth finish. This is product is the last of its kind.

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Hellyers Road Distillery

Hazelnut Cream Liqueur

\$10

A blend of fresh Tasmanian cream, single malt whisky and flavours of hazelnut. Ideally served neat, on rocks or with milk.

Southern Lights Vodka

\$10

From the Hellyers Road Distillery comes this cold grain distilled vodka; made from pure Tasmanian ingredients to deliver a clean, crisp tasting vodka made with premium local barley

Sullivan's Cove

In 1804, a group of military personnel, colonists and convicts settled at Sullivan's Cove on the west bank of the Derwent River. The settlement would eventually grow into the vibrant and beautiful port city of Hobart. With an abundance of pristine mountain water and land perfect for growing barley, the colonists started producing their own spirits in 1824, with sixteen legal distilleries being established.

Unfortunately in 1839 distillation of spirits was banned. It wasn't until Bill Lark managed to get the law overturned in 1990 and established Lark Distillery in 1992 launching the modern Tasmanian Whisky industry.

American Oak

\$34

Before the French Oak came into its own, Sullivan's Cove American Oak was the Australian champion whisky. Twice named the Best Whisky in the Rest of the World and the first Australian whisky to achieve Liquid Gold status in Jim Murray's Whisky Bible. Rounded, full and creamy. Initially lots of sweet barley and fruit at front of palate, vanilla comes through and citrus notes in the middle palate with a subtle finish.

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International Whisk(e)y

Scotland - Highlands

Glenmorangie Original 10yr	\$12
Dalwhinnie 15yr	\$16
Oban 14yr (West Highlands)	\$19

Scotland - Lowlands

Glenkinchie 12yr	\$16
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Scotland - Speyside

Cragganmore 12yr	\$15
Glenfiddich 12yr	\$13

Scotland - Islay

Laphroaig 10yr	\$17
Lagavulin 16yr	\$21

Japan

Hibiki	\$18
Hakushu	\$17

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Cognac

Courvoisier VSOP	\$16
Hennessy VSOP	\$14
Martell Cordon Bleu XO	\$34
Hennessy XO	\$34

Fortified Wine

Morris Muscat 10yr old	\$10
McWilliams Sherry	\$7
Penfolds Club Tawny	\$8
Galway Pipe Tawny	\$14
Penfolds Grandfather	\$24

